

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA**

**IN THE MATTER OF PLACEMENT)
OF FAMILY COURT CASES ON THE)
INACTIVE CALENDAR 120 DAYS)
AFTER FILING)
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**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
No. 2005-043**

Whereas, the Arizona Supreme Court has directed that the family court hear and terminate cases in an expeditious and efficient manner; and

Whereas, the court has a significant number of family court cases that are filed with the court that are not prosecuted by the parties, including those cases where the parties have reconciled or otherwise desire that no further action be taken on their case; and

Whereas, Rule 38.1 of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure authorizes the presiding judge by general order or local rule to shorten the time period for the court to place domestic relations cases on the inactive calendar for dismissal to 120 days after filing when no Motion to Set and Certificate of Readiness has been served within that time period; and

Whereas, this time period was previously shortened by Rule 6.8(g), Local Rules of Practice—Maricopa County to six months from the date of commencement of the family court case.

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Pursuant to the authority granted to this court by Rule 38.1, Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure, and notwithstanding Rule 6.8(g), Local Rules of Practice—Maricopa County, all family court cases in which a Motion to Set and Certificate of Readiness has not been filed within 120 days after the commencement of the proceeding shall be placed on the inactive calendar by the court administrator.

2. All family court cases remaining on the inactive calendar for two months shall be dismissed without prejudice for lack of prosecution in accordance with Rule 38.1, Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure.

3. This Order is effective as to all cases pending or filed on and after April 1, 2005.

DATED this 17th day of March, 2005.

Hon. Colin F. Campbell,
Presiding Judge

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